

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Richard Gilmore on Monday, September 15, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Amendment dated 6/9/2008:

Claim 1, line 9, replace "a length of the table top" with --the length of the table top--;

Claim 58, line 8, replace "a length of the table top" with --the length of the table top--;

Line 15, replace "drawing" with --drawer--;

Claim 77, line 11, replace "a length of the table top" with --the length of the table top--;

Claim 78, line 11, replace "a length of the table top" with --the length of the table top--.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 40-41, 44-46, 49-50, 58-60, 62, 65-78 are allowed. Claims 40-41, 44-46, 49-50, 58-60, 62, 65-70, and 71-78 have been renumbered 1-2, 3-5, 6-7, 14-16, 17, 8-13, and 18-25, respectively.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggest, in combination with all the elements recited in each of the independent claims, the first and second side rails of extending at least a majority of the length of the table top, with each side rail including at least one guide, the first and second side wall of the drawer having outwardly extending portions directly coupled to the first and second side rails and movable between an open position and a closed position.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HANH V. TRAN whose telephone number is (571)272-6868. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, and alternate Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lanna Mai can be reached on (571) 272-6867. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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